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24 February 1960

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

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: Deputy Director (Plans)

SUBJECT

: Bureau of the Budget Request for DCI Memorandum Concerning OXCART Presidential Approval

- 1. This memorandum contains a recommendation for DCI approval. Said recommendation is contained in paragraph 3.
- 25X1A 2. At a 15 February meeting attended by Messrs. Saunders and of the Agency's Office of the Comptroller and the undersigned, Mr. Robert M. Macy of the Bureau of the Budget stated that it was his impression that further Presidential approval was required beyond that given OXCART on 20 July 1959, prior to implementing the full scope of the program. Mr. Macy was informed that it is the consensus of opinion of the DCI, Deputy DCI and Deputy Director (Plans), who is the Project Director, that no further Presidential approval is required. Further, he was advised that the technical radar objectives of the program remaining to be achieved, and discussed with the President at the 20 July 1959 meeting, were reviewed on 20 January 1960 by the Project Director, certain Agency and USAF project personnel, contractor representatives and special consultants, who determined that technical radar objectives were being achieved satisfactorily; the Agency then initiated appropriate action to implement the full scope of the Project. Mr. Macy appeared to be satisfied with this information but requested that a memorandum for the record to this effect be forwarded to the Bureau of the Budget by the DCI.
 - 3. In accordance with the foregoing request of Mr. Macy for a memorandum from the DCI to the Bureau of the Budget, it is recommended that the Director approve and sign the attached memorandum. The memorandum may then be returned to the undersigned for transmittal to the Bureau of the Budget.

Signed

WILLIAM BURKE Colonel, USAF

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